



PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant: Asbury et al.
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Entitled: DEVICE AND METHODS FOR DETECTING SAMPLES IN A
FLOW CYTOMETER INDEPENDENT OF VARIATIONS IN
FLUORESCENCE POLARIZATION
Date: April 4, 2003

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the due date for filing a Response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002, be amended from February 6, 2003 to April 6, 2003.

A check for the extension fee of \$410.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed. Please charge any additional extension fees to Deposit Account No. 02-0945. Two duplicate copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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